GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2862
ANSWERED ON:02.08.2017
Passport Fee
Yadav Shri Om Prakash

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government has reduced the passport fees upto 10 per cent for those passport applicants who are below eight years and above 60 years of age;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by which this decision is likely to be implemented; and

(c) the number of persons who got benefitted by this scheme?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
[GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

(a) & (b) With effect from 24 June, 2017 a new scheme under which senior citizens of the age of 60 years and above and minor children upto the age of 8 years would be given a discount of 10 per cent on the applicable passport fee on fresh application for passports.

(c) The break-up of the number of applicants who have been benefitted under this scheme from 24 June, 2017 to 26 July, 2017 is as follows:

Applicant Applicants benefitted
Minor of 8 Years and Below 53,841
Senior Citizens of 60 Years and above 31,582